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| Application of: | Johnson et al.                       | Group No.:        | 1646            |
| Serial No.:     | 09/476,290                           | Atty. Docket No.: | 56029-2669      |
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

HONORABLE SIR:

Responsive to the official communication of April 8, 2003,  
Applicants submit the following Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this Amendment. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account 20-0823.